



## MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

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**Subject:** Eyewitness Mr. Ken Morton Email [Excerpts] and diagram in regards to ERA12FA256

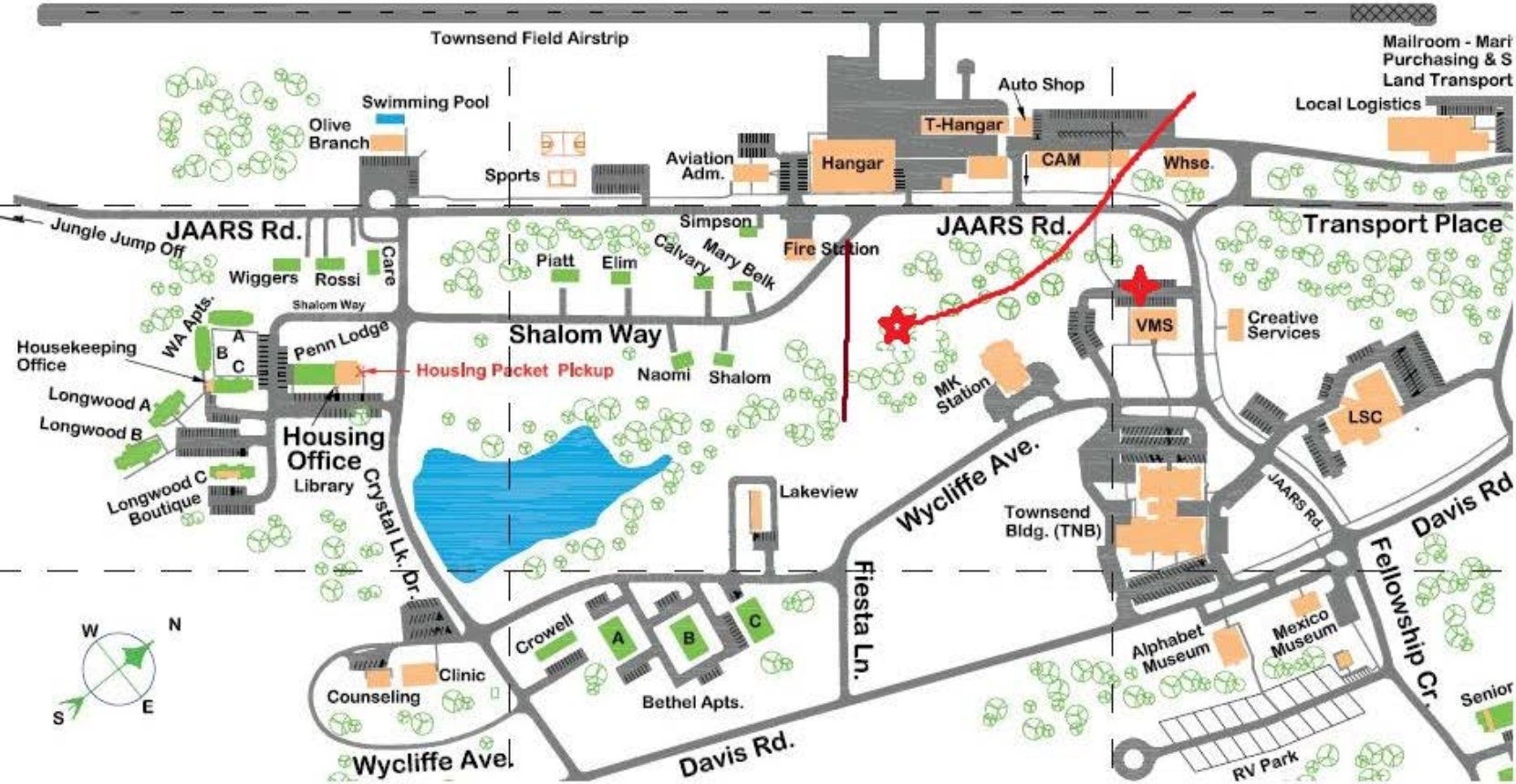
**The following is an excerpt of an email and a diagram of what was seen from eyewitness Mr. Ken Morton that was received on March 30, 2012 at 12:09 EST:**

I am attaching a diagram of the aircraft flight path as viewed from my perspective. The altitude of the aircraft was high enough to clear the trees which on the south side of the runway appear to be around 70 feet in height. I would estimate the planes altitude to be no more than 15 feet above the trees at any time with a steep nose up attitude which appeared to be around 40 degrees.

Hope this helps.

Respectfully,

Ken Morton  
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I was standing in the parking lot behind the VMS building as indicated by the red cross. The red line marks the path of the aircraft from the time I first heard the engine go to full power to the point of impact as indicated by the red star. The aircraft was just above the trees when it left the runway environment (70 - 90 feet agl approximate). The brown line is the trail that runs through the woods and follows a small power line.